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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5376
INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT
AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY CAIRO

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS 6697

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, GW, SY
SUBJECT: "RED ARMY" THREAT TO FRG AMBASSADOR DAMASCUS

1. FRG AMBASSADOR VON RHAMM VISITED EMBASSY AFTERNOON
OCT 26 TO SAY HE HAD RECEIVED THREAT ON HIS LIFE FROM
INDIVIDUAL WHO HAD IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS REPRESENTATIVE
OF "RED ARMY FACTION". PHONE CALL HAD BEEN MADE TO GERMAN
EMBASSY AT 1945 OCTOBER 25 AT TIME WHEN A GERMAN NATIONAL
CONTRACTOR WAS ALONE IN THE OFFICES INSTALLING SECURITY
EQUIPMENT. ACCORDING TO CONTRACTOR, CALLER SPOKE IN ENGLISH
BUT WITH ARABIC ACCENT. MESSAGE WAS, "TELL YOUR AMBASSADOR
HE MUST LEAVE THIS COUNTRY OR HE WILL BE KILLED. THIS
IS THE RED ARMY FACTION SPEAKING." (COMMENT: AMBASSADOR
SAID IT UNCLEAR WHETHER CALLER HAD SAID "FACTION" OR
"FRONT.")

2. GERMAN EMBASSY CONTACTED SYRIAN FONMINISTRY PROTOCOL
WHICH HAS ASSIGNED PLAINCLOTHES GUARDS OUTSIDE GERMANY
CHANCERY AND RESIDENCE. AMBASSADOR HAS ACCEPTED OFFER
OF PERSONAL GUARD AND ASKED BONN TO SEND GERMAN SECURITY
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PERSONNEL AS WELL.

3. WE DISCUSSED SOME BASIC SECURITY MEASURES. FRG
AMBASSADOR SAID HE UNAWARE WHETHER SIMILAR THREATS HAD
BEEN RECEIVED AT OTHER FRG EMBASSIES IN AREA. MURPHY

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Message Attributes

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